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LIVE  
BARRETT'S  
TOMATO  
SEEDS

1919





SELECT  
TOMATO SEEDS  
1919 CROP



PURE STOCK  
SYSTEMATIC METHODS  
EXTREME CARE  
PERSONAL ATTENTION



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## **TERMS**

**On Contract Growing Orders:**  
June 1st acceptance, or 5% discount for cash in ten days from date of invoice.

**On Spot Orders for Shipment from Stock:** 60 days, or 2% discount for cash in ten days from date of invoice.

# *VARIETIES - 1919*

Sparks' Earliana  
Chalk's Early Jewel  
Bonny Best  
Early Michigan  
Early Detroit  
Acme  
Beauty  
Stone  
Perfection  
Matchless  
Red Rock  
Greater Baltimore

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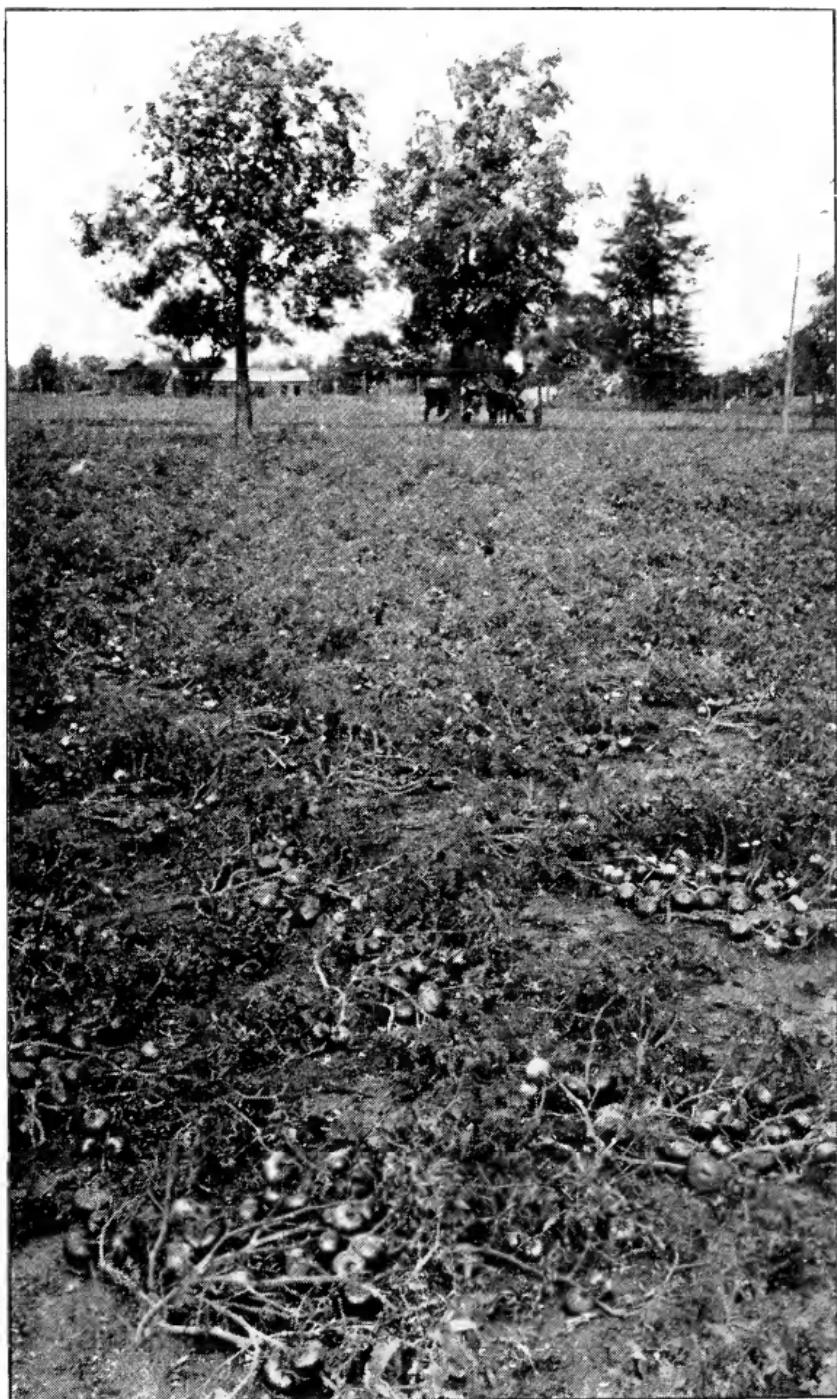


**My Strain of Chalk's Early Jewel**

**LOCATION** The desirability of growing tomato seeds in a northern latitude is so universally admitted that no argument seems necessary. My location in Michigan, near the lakes, is ideal. The soil is rich and productive, the summer is short enough to hasten growth and ripening with resulting tendency to produce early strains.

**MY STOCKS** I maintain a stock seed department, and at considerable expense our strains of the different varieties are selected, improved and tested. The results have been very satisfactory.

The superiority of my strains has become fixed, and can be depended upon to meet the most exacting requirements of the critical and conscientious seedsman, who wishes something different and better in Tomato seeds.

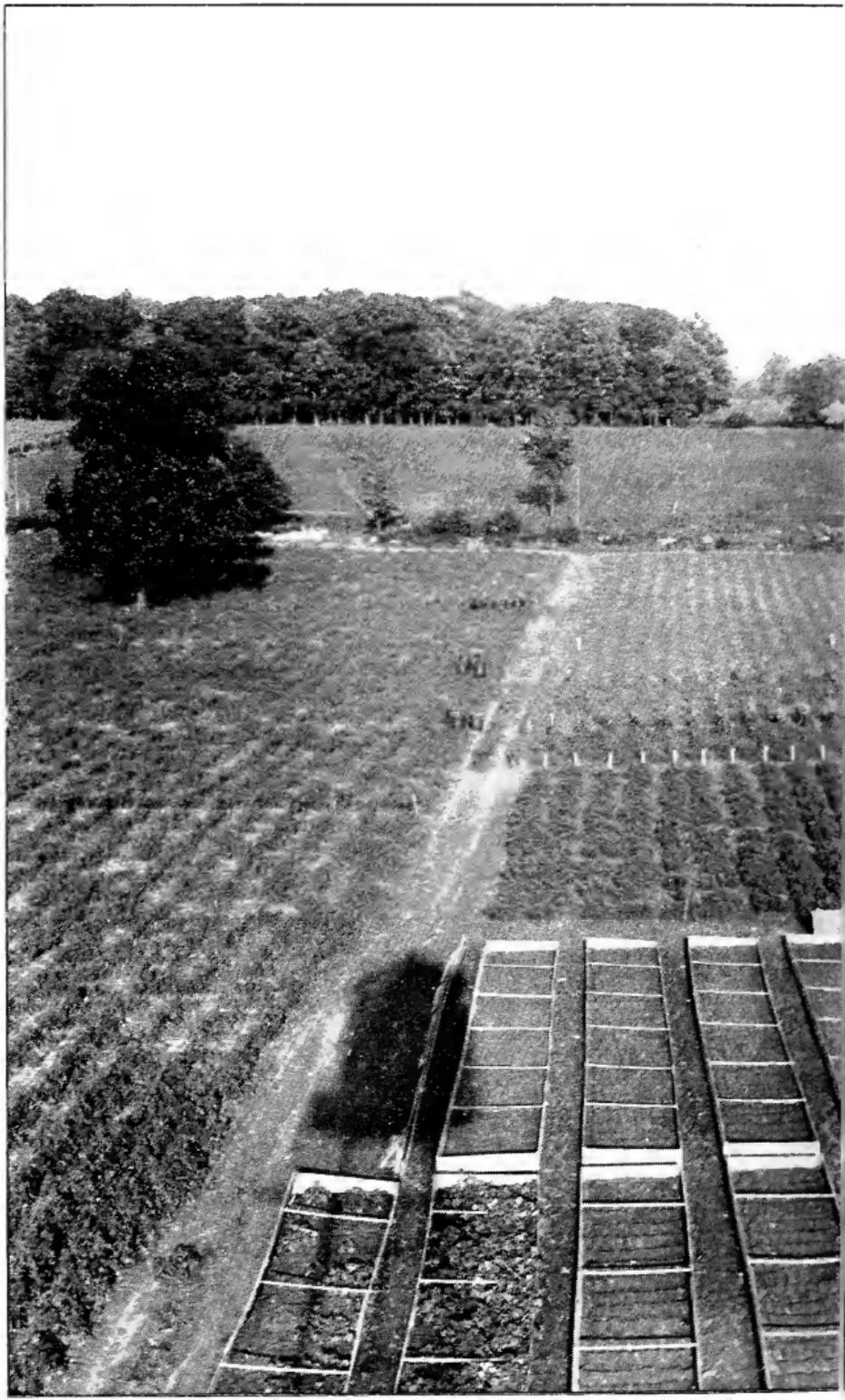


**A Fine Crop of Red Rock**

It has been said that the success of the seed business depends upon faith. This is particularly true of Tomato seeds, the appearance of which gives no indication of variety, strain, purity or viability.

In my twenty-six years' experience as a Tomato seed grower I have always kept this distinctly in mind, and have never, for the sake of any present gain, sold a pound of Tomato seeds that might limit the faith that I am anxious all the trade shall have in me and my stocks.

The photograph on the following page shows a part of my trials and stocks. It was taken from the water tank tower in the rear of greenhouses, and also gives a view of a small portion of plant beds.



**Some Trial**



**Stock Plats**

**MY METHODS** I put out no seeds on contract, but all are grown by me, or the fruit delivered to me to be seeded, each variety in a locality by itself.

The men who do the work, the tools and machines, are all separate and distinct for each variety. By this method, it can be seen, I eliminate the usual great danger of mixtures.

**PRICES** By these conservative, systematic methods, by growing large acreages of the several varieties separately, I am able to produce the choicest stocks grown, and at reasonable prices.

I accept orders conservatively, and usually am able to deliver in full.

In case of surplus, I protect my trade by not offering at a less price than that made for contract orders.



A Stock Plat of Stone

**Sparks' Earliana** An extra early. The earliest red tomato. The vines are compact in growth, with short, close-jointed branches. Very productive. Fruit fair size and firm.

**Chalk's Early Jewel** A second or medium early sort, later than Earliana. Vines vigorous and productive. Fruit solid and without hard core. Color bright scarlet. A sort having great merit.

**Bonny Best** A sort introduced by the late Walter P. Stokes. Ripens with my strain of Chalk's Early Jewel. Vine strong and vigorous. Fruit deep scarlet, ripening to stem. Flesh firm. A productive and very desirable early and main crop variety.

**Early Detroit** Vines vigorous and productive. Fruit round and nearly globe-shaped. Firm and purplish-pink in color. Ripens with Chalk's Early Jewel, and is a splendid second early variety.

**Early Michigan** Vines large, with large, dark green leaves, vigorous and productive, being under high culture one of the heaviest croppers; fruit medium size to large, perfectly smooth, solid, but without any core; deep, rich-red color, and of excellent flavor. Its first fruits are very early, but the vines continue to bear for a long time.

**Acme** Vine hardy and productive. Fruit in clusters of four or five, round, smooth, and of good size; flesh solid and of excellent flavor. There is no better variety for market gardeners who want an early purple-fruited sort.

**Beauty** Vines large, vigorous and heavy bearers; fruit large, uniform in size, very smooth, and excellent flavor; color purplish-pink. The best purple sort.

A Stock Plat of My Strain of Sparks' Earliana



**Stone** Vine vigorous and productive; fruit large, smooth, deep red in color, and very heavy. The best all around variety where earliness is not important.

**Perfection** A smooth, blood-red tomato. Ripens with Acme, and a week or ten days earlier than the Stone. A desirable sort for gardeners and canners who require a red tomato.

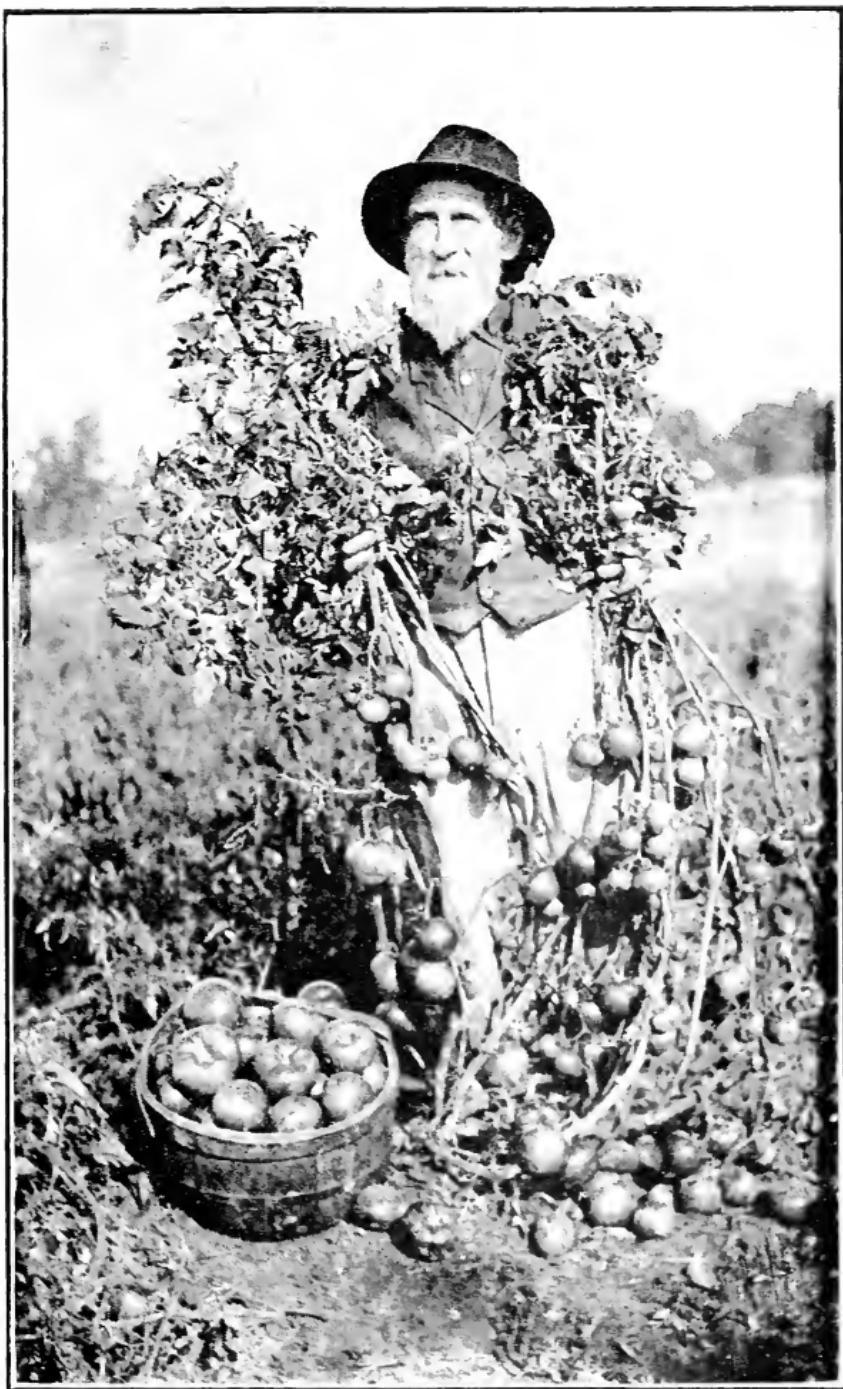
**Matchless** The color is rich cardinal red. The skin is so tough that it is a splendid keeper and shipper, and is less liable to crack in wet weather than any other large tomato. Unsurpassed for market or for table. The plant is a strong grower, and is very productive, bearing with undiminished vigor until frost. The fruit is free from core, and the seed spaces are comparatively small.

**Red Rock** Introduced by D. Landreth Seed Co. Ripens with Stone. Fruit scarlet, round, large, smooth, and coloring evenly to stem. Flesh firm and of fine flavor. Good producer and shipper. A variety of great merit.

**Greater Baltimore** This variety has been so well and persistently advertised by the introducers that the extensive demand has prompted me to place it on my list. It has the general characteristics of the Red Rock and Stone, though I do not consider the type so well fixed. It is a red tomato, vigorous and productive, ripening with my strain of Red Rock, but not so regular in size and shape. Many catsup manufacturers prefer it to Stone. The introducers say, "It is the best second early and main crop tomato on earth." They claim it to be much more productive than Stone.

*In asking for prices for growing please give an estimate  
of your probable needs of the different sorts.*

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**Barrett's Beauty**

This crop of BEAUTY produced 668 bushels of merchantable fruit to the acre. This shows the result of many years of systematic breeding of this sort for quality and productiveness.

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